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SUBJECT: DRAFT REPORT OF THE INDUSTRY COMMITTEE TO THE
OECD COUNCIL ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF INFORMATION AND IMPROVED
EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON THE ACTIVITIES OF MULTINATIONAL
ENTERPRISES

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1. MISSION WAS REQUESTED TO INFORM SECRETARIAT (REFTEL)
THAT U.S. WOULD BE FORWARDING SUGGESTED CHANGES TO SUBJECT
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2. U.S. WISHES TO PROPOSE FOLLOWING MODIFICATION OF DRAFT
DECISION (DSTI/IND 1/75.16) BEGIN QUOTE: II. RECOMMENDS
THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF MEMBER COUNTRIES, IN DEVELOPING
NATIONAL STATISTICS, SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE INDUSTRY

COMMITTEE PROPOSAL THAT THEY- (A) DEVELOP STATISTICS WHICH SHOULD INCLUDE THE 14 ITEMS SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH 9 OF DSTI/IND 1/75.16; (B) ADOPT THE SUB-DIVISION OF ENTERPRISE GROUPS AND ENTERPRISES ACCORDING TO THE DEGREE OF FOREIGN PARTICIPATION SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH 10 OF THIS REPORT; (C) APPLY THE INTERNATIONALLY AGREED AND WORKING DEFINITIONS FOR THE 14 ITEMS CONTAINED IN THE ANNEX TO THIS

REPORT ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT COUNTRIES WHICH ALREADY HAVE STATISTICS RELATING TO THE ACTIVITIES OF MULTI-NATIONAL ENTERPRISES BASED ON OTHER DEFINITIONS WOULD INDICATE ANY SUBSTANTIAL DEVIATIONS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THEY COULD, WHEREVER PRACTICABLE, APPLY THESE DEFINITIONS. END QUOTE.

3. U.S. SUPPORTS WORK OF INDUSTRY COMMITTEE AND OF WORKING PARTY AND REGARDS STATISTICAL FRAMEWORK CONTAINED IN DRAFT REPORT AS POSSIBLE MODEL WHICH CAN ASSIST MEMBER COUNTRIES IN SETTING UP THEIR OWN STATISTICAL SYSTEMS. HOWEVER, GIVEN PRELIMINARY NATURE OF EXERCISE, FACT THAT STATISTICAL CONCEPTS MAY NEED FURTHER REFINEMENT AND FACT THAT QUESTION OF OBLIGATIONS TO BE ASSUMED BY MEMBER COUNTRIES HAS NOT BEEN CLARIFIED, ABOVE MODIFICATION PROPOSED. INGERSOLL

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